A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRISCO, TEXAS URGIN THE $77^{\rm TH}$ TEXAS LEGISLATURE TO TAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS TO IMPROVE TEXAS' SURFACE TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE

WHEREAS, mobility and a quality surface transportation system are critical to the economic vitality of Texas and the quality of life of Texans; and

WHEREAS, aging transportation infrastructure, population and job growth, and increasing travel demands require an increased level of investment in order to maintain mobility and a quality surface transportation system for Texas; and

WHEREAS, Texas citizens have come together in coalitions such as TEX-21 to express their increasing concerns with the adverse effects on their lives of urban roadway congestion, delays at international border crossings, roadway safety, poor roadway surface conditions and inadequate highway capacity to accommodate the growing international trade traversing Texas; and

WHEREAS, there is a growing sense of urgency for Texas to raise the level of priority it places on transportation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Frisco, Texas that the 77th Texas Legislature be and hereby is urged to:

- <u>Section 1</u>: Allocate to counties five percent (5%) of vehicle sales taxes collected, rather than vehicle registration fees equal to that amount, as was done prior to 1992; and
- <u>Section 2</u>: Make all appropriations to support functions of the Department of Public Safety not directly related to transportation from the General Revenue Fund rather than the State Highway Fund; and
- <u>Section 3</u>: Deposit into the State Highway Fund rather than the General Revenue Fund revenues collected by the Department of Public Safety from the following transportation-related fees: Motor Vehicle Inspection Fees, Driver License Fees and Driver Record information Fees; and
- <u>Section 4</u>: Deposit into the State Highway Fund rather than the General Revenue Fund revenues derived from highway right-of-way licensing or leasing; and

- <u>Section 5</u>: Increase appropriations to the Lateral Road and Bridge Fund, to at least \$30 million per year, without reducing TxDOT funding, and revise the allocation formula for Lateral Road and Bridge Fund monies giving 50% weight to population and 50% to county lane miles, with each county receiving an allocation not less than 150% of the amount it received in the previous biennium; and
- <u>Section 6</u>: Amend the Development Corporation Act to include transportation as an allowable use under subsections 4a and 4b and permit local governments by local option election to enact a sales tax fro transportation, including transit, within the existing 8.25-cent sales tax cap; and
- <u>Section 7</u>: Enact legislation and authorize an election to consider a constitutional amendment to permit the use of state funds for toll road development in Texas; and
- Section 8: Establish a new transportation revolving fund and place in this fund all new transportation dollars identified in the 77^{th} and subsequent legislative sessions to be used to service debt incurred through the issuance of general obligation or revenue bonds of the state; and
- <u>Section 9</u>: Permit the use of GARVEE bonds to accelerate implementation of needed transportation improvement projects; and
- <u>Section 10</u>: In consultation with the Texas Department of Transportation and metropolitan planning organizations, adopt performance criteria to measure mobility, access, safety, reliability and maintenance standards for the Texas transportation system, identify minimally acceptable performance levels for the system and adopt an investment plan to fund achievement of those performance levels; and
- Section 11: Authorize the utilization of design-build procurement for highway project development; and
- <u>Section 12</u>: Repeal the "2060 Permit" provisions for overweight vehicles and establish new provisions to require heavy vehicle compliance with posted weight restrictions on bridges and to set higher permit fees and sanctions for overweight vehicles to use Texas highways.

This resolution shall be forwarded to members of the Texas Legislature, the Governor and the Lieutenant Governor of the State of Texas and the Texas Transportation Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVITEXAS on this day of _	ED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRISCO, 2000.
	KATHLEEN A. SEEI, MAYOR
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City Secretary	